UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## Preliminary Amendment

In re application of

Jan Vijg

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Examiner:

BRCA 1 and bMLHI Gene Primer Sequences And Method For Testing For:

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please correct the following typographical error in claim 3.

Claim 3, line 1, change "claims" to: - - claim 1 - -.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit account No. 18-1425 for any additional fees that may be required in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,

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